

Introduced by Senator Sher

February 28, 1997

An act to add Section 357 to the Public Utilities Code, relating to public utilities.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1305, as introduced, Sher. Public utilities: electricity: Power Exchange: information reporting.

Existing law, the Public Utilities Act, provides for the furnishing of utility services, including furnishing electricity, by privately owned public utilities subject to the jurisdiction and control of the Public Utilities Commission and similar services by publicly owned public utilities.

The act requires the Public Utilities Commission to undertake various actions to create and operate an Independent System Operator and a Power Exchange to facilitate various transactions between electricity suppliers and end use customers.

This bill would require the Power Exchange, as a condition for selling electric power into the exchange, to require electricity suppliers to submit specified information on energy fuel types and emissions. The Power Exchange would be required to compile that information each quarter and make it available to utilities, which would make it available to customers and retail electricity suppliers, as specified. The bill would require an electricity supplier that is selling electricity to more than 10 retail customers in the state to disclose to its customers and submit to the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission specified



information on fuel type and annual emissions, and would require the energy commission to make that information available to the public.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 357 is added to the Public
2 Utilities Code, to read:

3 357. (a) The Power Exchange shall, as a condition for
4 selling electric power into the exchange, require
5 electricity suppliers to submit to the Power Exchange
6 appropriate data on fuel type and average annual
7 emissions per megawatt hour of carbon dioxide, pm 10,
8 oxides of nitrogen, and sulfur dioxide. The Power
9 Exchange shall compile the information each quarter and
10 make it available to utilities.

11 (b) Each utility shall make available to its customers
12 every six months the information compiled by the Power
13 Exchange pursuant to subdivision (a), as well as similar
14 information for the year immediately preceding the most
15 recent quarter for which information has been compiled.
16 The utility shall also make the information available on an
17 ongoing basis to retail electricity suppliers.

18 (c) A retail electricity supplier that is selling electricity
19 to more than 10 retail customers in this state shall disclose
20 to its customers and submit to the State Energy Resources
21 Conservation and Development Commission,
22 information on the percentage fuel type and annual
23 average emissions per megawatt hour of carbon dioxide,
24 pm 10, and oxides of nitrogen. The information required
25 to be provided to retail customers and to the State Energy
26 Resources Conservation and Development Commission
27 pursuant to this section shall also be made available to the
28 public.

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